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### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

The invention relates to a convertible vehicle comprising a retractable top, in particular, a folding top whose back bow, that can be placed at least partially onto a rearward top compartment lid in a closed position of the top, has at least one locking device arranged between it and the top compartment lid, wherein a connecting member provided on the back bow (9) can be secured on a counter member of the top compartment lid provided below a through opening and in whose area at least one flap part is provided that is movable by means of the connecting member and cooperates with a switching member according to the preamble of claim 1.

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### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Based on a convertible vehicle of the aforementioned kind ~~according to the preamble of claim 1,~~ the invention solves this problem in that the locking device has at least two support legs as a connecting member and between them a receiving slot is formed that engages therebetween the counter member at least partially positive-lockingly ~~with the features of the characterizing portion of claim 1.~~ With respect to important additional configurations, reference is being had to the dependent ~~claims 2 to 17.~~

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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Further details and advantages of the invention result from the following description and the drawings that illustrate in detail one embodiment of the folding top according to the invention in the area of the locking device. The drawings show in:

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DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

In Fig. 1, a convertible vehicle identified by 1 is illustrated in a perspective view wherein its closed folding top 2 comprises a rear window 4 which is integrated into the roof skin 3. In the illustrated closed position of the folding top 2, the roof skin 3 rests in the rear area below the rear window 4 on a top compartment lid 8 (Fig. 2) that is positioned within the same plane as the trunk lid 5. By means of the top compartment lid 8 that extends essentially U-shaped within the rear contour of the carbody, the upper end of the top compartment 6 provided for receiving the top 2 can be closed.